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1. Four transports of 5,000 to 7,000 tons arrived with Soviet troops in Rostock harbor during May. Two of the transports arrived with 1,500 troops each on the night of 20 May. After embarking, the troops marched through Rostock toward the forest area near Barnstorf which had previously been evacuated by the civilian population.
2. During the same period, three freight trains with 58 cars each arrived in Rostock with T-34 and JS II tanks. These, too, drove to the Barnstorf forest area.
3. The two ships which had arrived on 20 May left again on the evening of the next day with 1,000 dependents of Soviet officers. Two other ships arrived on the night of 30 May with additional Soviet troops.
4. About 7,500 troops and 500 armored vehicles are located in the Barnstorf area. In addition, the casernes are overcrowded by the Volkspolizei. It is estimated that approximately 2,000 Volkspolizei are stationed in Rostock. The whole area has been hermetically sealed.

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